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Mr. Charles A. White, P.E.  
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RE: Insurance for Closure and Postclosure Financial Assurances

Dear Mr. White:

The Permitting and Enforcement Division received and reviewed your request of December 10<sup>th</sup> to extend the current use of Waste Management's captive insurer for financial assurance demonstrations to the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB). Upon further review and discussion with program staff, we have concluded that the appropriate course of action is for Waste Management to replace the current financial demonstrations from National Guarantee Insurance Company (NGIC) with alternative demonstrations acceptable under the regulations.

As I identified in my correspondence of November 14, Waste Management must provide alternate financial assurance demonstrations to the CIWMB for Waste Management's California facilities within 60 days after receiving the November 14 notice from this office. You have identified that your office received the notice on November 17, corresponding to a deadline of January 16<sup>th</sup> for submittal of Waste Management's alternative financial assurance submittals.

I encourage you to continue your efforts with the California Department of Insurance to gain approval of NGIC. We are ready to provide any information necessary to assist Waste Management and NGIC in such efforts.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, or the financial assurance requirements, please call Garth Adams of the Financial Assurances Section at (916) 255-4063.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Rice  
Deputy Director  
Permitting and Enforcement Division

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